

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION**

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Date: April 16, 2001

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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:
COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS AND METHOD

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

An abstract together with
45 pages of specification and claims including
31 numbered claims and also attached is/are
11 sheets of accompanying drawings.
 This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s):

Application No.	Country	Filing Date
01301226.5	EUROPE	12 February 2001
0108501.8	GREAT BRITAIN	4 April 2001

respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

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Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached.

This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed .

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

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Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee.

Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement ; Non-Publication Request; Other:

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